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NOME SUBDISTRICT SUBSISTENCE SALMON FISHING SCHEDULE

The Nome Subdistrict subsistence salmon gillnet fishing schedule goes into effect June 15, 2013.

A subsistence permit is required to harvest salmon when subsistence fishing in Nome Subdistrict waters and may be picked up at the Nome Fish & Game office. Please bring a State of Alaska i.d. or another i.d. that indicates Alaska residency. Permits are free.

The weekly gillnet fishing schedule for all marine waters west of Cape Nome in Nome Subdistrict is from 6 p.m. Wednesday until 6 p.m. Saturday. Marine waters east of Cape Nome will remain open seven days a week for subsistence gillnet fishing. Gillnets up to 300 feet in length are allowed in marine waters.

The weekly gillnet fishing schedule for all fresh waters of the Nome Subdistrict is from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday. The fresh water areas open to gillnet fishing are listed on the permit. Gillnets up to 50 feet in length are allowed. No more than one-half of any channel may be blocked by gillnets.

A new regulation, passed by the Alaska Board of Fisheries this winter, allows beach seining during subsistence gillnet fishing periods from June 15 through July 25 in Nome Subdistrict.

Subsistence hook and line fishing is open at all times. Sport fish bag limits apply when subsistence fishing with hook and line outside of Nome Subdistrict subsistence areas. Check the back of the Nome Subdistrict subsistence permit for the subsistence areas. No snagging is allowed anywhere in fresh waters. Fishermen are reminded that snagging is not allowed in any fresh waters and that the Penny and Cripple rivers are closed to both sport and subsistence chum salmon fishing.

The area from Cape Douglas to Cape Rodney is open seven days a week. From Cape Douglas to Cape Rodney and from Topkok Head to Rocky Point there are no catch limits in marine waters for subsistence fishermen. Check the back of the Nome Subdistrict subsistence permit for the catch limits for the subsistence areas between Cape Rodney and Topkok Head.

Good Luck and Good Fishing!